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## Field Crops

Cotton bolls opening is at 70 percent complete, behind last year's 72 percent and the five-year average of 73 percent. Cotton conditions are good to excellent. Harvesting is underway in the Yuma area. Most alfalfa is in fair to good condition. Harvesting is active on over three-fourths of the State's acreage.

## Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Arizona growers shipped miscellaneous melons this week.

## Range & Pasture

Range and pasture conditions vary from very poor to excellent, depending on location. Toward the end of July only 10 percent was rated at good or excellent. Due to August moisture, 42 percent is currently rated good or excellent.

### **Crop Condition**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	-	6	51	28	15
Range and Pasture	24	14	20	30	12
Cotton Condition	-	1	8	68	23

### **Crop Progress**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Bolls Opening	70	50	72	73
• Harvested	10	5	14	10

## Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly below normal across the State for the week ending September 12, ranging from 9 degrees below normal at Parker to 4 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon, Phoenix and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 109 degrees at Yuma. The lowest reading at 28 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was recorded

in 9 of the 22 stations this week. Prescott received the least at 0.04 inches of precipitation and Flagstaff received the most at 0.34 inches of precipitation. Six of the 22 weather stations remain at below normal precipitation to date, mostly in the northern areas of the State.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
September 6, 2010 - September 12, 2010								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	78	-3	100	52	0.00	8.78	1.81	126
Buckeye	82	-6	104	59	0.00	6.95	2.1	143
Canyon De Chelly	67	-2	91	40	0.00	8.16	1.71	127
Coolidge	80	-4	101	53	0.00	6.47	1.38	127
Douglas	76	2	94	50	0.00	9.16	-0.56	94
Flagstaff	60	2	81	34	0.34	19.28	3.59	123
Grand Canyon	58	4	85	28	0.06	10.39	-3.98	72
Kingman	75	-2	99	48	0.09	4.5	-2.47	65
Marana	83	1	99	60	0.00	7.84	0.02	100
Maricopa	83	-2	101	58	0.00	6.18	1.39	129
Paloma	81	-7	103	56	0.00	4.67	0.02	100
Parker	78	-9	107	55	0.00	3.7	0.85	130
Payson	67	-2	88	44	0.00	15.88	0.79	105
Phoenix	90	4	108	71	0.00	7.27	2.42	150
Prescott	69	4	91	47	0.04	9.48	-4.82	66
Roll	82	-7	106	59	0.00	3.39	1.38	169
Safford	75	-2	96	48	0.16	9.95	3.55	155
St. Johns	68	1	90	41	0.24	6.79	-1.36	83
Tucson	82	-1	100	62	0.08	10.29	2.04	125
Willcox	76	3	98	46	0.12	11.95	2.87	132
Winslow	71	2	96	43	0.09	5.05	-0.31	94
Yuma	88	-2	109	66	0.00	3.78	1.77	188
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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